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# Israel aide slain in Cairo

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Cairo—Two gunmen in a red Fiat sprayed an Israeli diplomat's car with bullets as he drove to work yesterday, killing the diplomat and wounding his wife and another woman, officials said.

Israel's Foreign Ministry identified the slain man as Albert Atrakchi, 30, an administrative attache. His wife, Ilana, 24, and Mazal Menashe, 22, underwent surgery for bullet wounds. Egypt's Interior Ministry said Menashe was the diplomat's secretary.

One woman was wounded in the leg and the other was hit in the arms and face, said a spokesman for the Israeli Embassy. The Israeli Foreign Ministry said Mrs. Atrakchi, also an embassy employe, was more seriously injured.

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expressed shock at the attack, and the Egyptian Embassy said it may have been aimed at sabotaging Mideast peace moves.

Egypt has played a key role in trying to arrange Arab-Israeli dialogue involving Jordan and the Palestinians. The attack also came as Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres said he hoped to set up a summit with Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak.

A group calling itself Egypt's Revolution, which also said it was behind the 1984 shooting of an Israeli diplomat in Cairo, took re-

sponsibility for the ambush in a letter to a Western news agency.

"Our valiant armed men today, in defense of our freedom and dignity, launched an attack against members of the Israeli intelligence in Cairo," the letter said.

IN JUNE 1984, Israeli Embassy attache Zvi Kedar was wounded in the hand by a shot fired from a passing car. There were no arrests in that shooting.

Yesterday's attack took place in Maadi, an upper-class suburb 10 miles south

of Cairo, where many foreign diplomats and representatives of foreign companies live.

The Egyptian Interior Ministry said Atrakchi, who had been posted in Cairo for three months, "was not among those persons for whom the Israeli Embassy had requested an Egyptian security escort." It said Egyptian authorities had taken additional security measures after the incident.

Investigators found 17 shell casings from a sub-machine gun that had been fired at the Israeli car, according to a Foreign Ministry official.

"We very strongly condemn this criminal act," an Egyptian Foreign Ministry spokesman said. "Egyptian authorities will take all legal steps to track down the perpetrators and bring them to trial."

He said Foreign Minister Esmat Abdul-Meguid sent a message of condolence to Yitzhak Shamir, the Israeli foreign minister.

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